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APPARATUS FOR HANDLING BUNDLES OF BOARDS AND A

SUPPORT BED FOR USE IN SUCH AN APPARATUS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2002 (Paper No. 11), the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the aboveidentified application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

All claims are reproduced below for the convenience of the Examiner, with claims 1, 5, and 12-14 being amended and claims 19 and 20 being added as follows:

1. (Twice amended) An apparatus for handling stacked units of boards, said apparatus comprising a stacker carrier (5) capable of moving a plurality of stacked units (2)